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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant:** Bacher et al.

**Docket No.:** 16026/9267

**Serial No.:** 09/663,020

**Group Art Unit:** 1656

**Filed:** September 15, 2000

**Examiner:** S. Chunduru

**FOR:** DETECTION OF MICROSATELLITE INSTABILITY AND ITS USE IN  
DIAGNOSIS OF TUMORS

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to an Office Action mailed November 27, 2001, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment, reconsideration on the merits, and allowance of the claims.

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**AMENDMENT**

Please replace claims 11-13 with the following claims:

11. (Once amended) The method of claim 10, further comprising correlating the microsatellite instability results with the prognosis.

12. (Once amended) The method of claim 10, further comprising correlating the microsatellite instability results with familial tumor predisposition.

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